

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Steven J. Hoiten's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Hoiten has devoted over 21 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a combat engineer, cannon crewmember, and an MLRS section chief, including service in Iraq and a state activation in support of flood operations; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Staff Sergeant Hoiten continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Staff Sergeant Steven J. Hoiten for over 21 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2013, as

STAFF SERGEANT STEVEN J. HOITEN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.




Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:


Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State